

WHITMAN INQUIRY CALL TO TAMMANY

Democratic Eclipse Seen in Rise
of His Star Above Clouds
of Highway Graft.

FEAR HE MAY BE GOVERNOR

Scheme to Minimize Political
Effect Said to Have Failed
—Barnes Has Plan.

The fact established at Friday's session of the McGuire-John Doe proceeding, that District Attorney Whitman's jurisdiction would have to be stretched to give him power to carry on his examination of upstate witnesses was a shock to those who would have the investigation of highway graft directed from the Democratic side of the fence.

If purging must be done, let it be done by hands not unfriendly, is the prayer that rises from Democratic hearts. And if any man ventures to climb to the Governor's chair from this investigation put him down at once. That is the way they were talking yesterday about Mr. Whitman and the operations of James W. Osborne, the newly appointed special Deputy Attorney-General.

Gov. Glynn's friends say that he is far from satisfied with the way Mr. Whitman has reached out through the State for evidence of highway fraud. The Governor was reluctant about discussing the work of Mr. Osborne while in town last week. He felt sure that Mr. Osborne would be able to carry on his investigations without conflicting with Mr. Whitman. But he would not say what specific plans he has for Mr. Osborne nor whether carrying them out will limit automatically the activity of Mr. Whitman.

Mr. Osborne was not in New York yesterday. He came down from Albany late on Friday afternoon for three hours and then started back up the State. He was in Buffalo yesterday. At his office it was said that his business had nothing to do with State work.

Fear Rise of Whitman.

Plenty of others were ready to tell yesterday what part political generalship is playing in the division of the attack on highway grafters. Tammany men, independent Democrats and Progressives are at once in the opinion that District Attorney Whitman's investigation will be the strongest kind of a recommendation for his selection as the Republican candidate for Governor in 1914.

Election whistles had hardly stopped blowing when William H. Hotchkiss, chairman of the executive committee of the Progressive State committee, picked up a speech of Mr. Whitman's delivered in Buffalo, and in a Rochester audience spent an hour attacking the District Attorney. He dared him to follow the trail of graft if it should lead into the Republican camp.

Mr. Glynn's reaction, it appears, at seeing the spectre of Whitman as the Republican candidate for Governor was to appoint James W. Osborne to carry out in the State what Mr. Whitman was trying to do from New York county. Mr. Osborne will have the powers of the Attorney-General's office, and will be able to go into every county of the State to indict and prosecute evildoers. The immediate effect would be to build a backfire against Whitman, and at the same time to restrain him from exceeding his jurisdiction on any pretext whatever.

McGuire Clogs the Wheels.

It was clear yesterday that the events of Friday moved contrary to the wishes of those who want to have Mr. Whitman kept within bounds. The admission of McGuire that he had talked to highway contractors in New York, sometimes in person and sometimes by telephone, and that his partner in the bonding business was Charles P. Murphy, Jr., a very lively young New Yorker, fixes the locus of Mr. Whitman's inquiry, at least in one phase of the investigation. And how far the trail will go from these present leads Mr. Whitman himself does not know. At all events, for his present purposes, the District Attorney is perfectly free from such criticism as Gov. Glynn's friends attributed to the Governor himself.

The out and out Tammany men of course have their peculiar interest in what Mr. Whitman is doing, for the things which have come to Mr. Whitman's attention thus far were done in a State administration which, more than any other in years, bore the Tammany hallmark.

No Rest for Murphy.

Charles P. Murphy has not yet taken his usual post-election rest. He has been expected at Hot Springs, Va., ever since the day after election. He was in New York on Thursday and at Good Ground on Friday and yesterday. They say at Tammany Hall that he has no immediate plans for a vacation. At the same time comes the assurance that there is not the smallest chance in the world of his name in Tammany Hall raising their fingers against his leadership. Charles P. Murphy, according to those familiar with political currents on Fourteenth street, is as safe in his seat as Woodrow Wilson is in his.

The real reason why Murphy is here is

Whitman. If there is nothing in the little district disturbances to affect his composition there is surely enough in the Criminal Court Building to keep his attention. Tammany had its own stenographer to take down the speeches of Hennessey during the campaign. The same man appears now at the sessions of the John Doe inquiry to take down all that transpires there—so that the men in Fourteenth street and the lawyers upon whom the organization can count shall have their own copies of testimony.

Barnes Has Own Plans.

Meanwhile the Republican leaders have their own plans. William Barnes, Senator Root, William M. Calder and others have sent out a call for a Republican conference at the Waldorf on December 5. There is no doubt that a great deal of Whitman sentiment will be on tap. Mr. Whitman momentarily lost Republican support when he accepted the Tammany endorsement for District Attorney, but his political graft hunt is bringing it back.

One of the schemes which the Republican leaders expect to put out among their new Assemblymen at the conference will call for the appointment of a legislative commission to hunt political graft. The Republicans will have the upper hand in the Assembly, and with the help of an Assembly committee Mr. Whitman's work would be complemented. In other words, the Assemblymen could be counted on to go through the up-State counties and trail grafting contractors and politicians, thus blanketing Mr. Osborne, who is working on the Democratic side. Mr. Whitman would then be free to carry on his work here without interference and with the aid and comfort of his friends in the Assembly.

All told the State may expect a carnival of investigation—enough to make politicians who have skated on this ice from time to time sit up nights thinking.

2,200 HEAR SULZER RAP TAMMANY IN BUFFALO

But 6,000 Had Been Expected
at Deposed Governor's
Lecture.

BUFFALO, Nov. 22.—An audience of 2,200 persons came to the lecture given to-night by William Sulzer, Assemblyman-elect and ex-Governor, in the Broadway Auditorium, Buffalo's biggest hall.

Mr. Sulzer was disappointed at the size of the audience. Seats had been placed for 6,000, but only a few more than a third of the seats were occupied. The audience was made up of 50 cents. According to John Laughlin, local manager of the lecture, Sulzer receives \$1,000 a night for the lectures, which will extend far into the West.

Mr. Sulzer had no complaint as to the warmth of his welcome. The audience cheered him while he walked slowly through the hall and applauded for two minutes when he was introduced by A. J. Ellis, chairman of the meeting.

Tammany and Murphy formed the burden of the lecture. At every dig at that organization and its chief the audience applauded uproariously. Sulzer talked for more than two hours.

"The Murphy court ruled in everything against me, and ruled out everything in my favor. The rules of evidence were changed so that a horse thief in frontier days would have received a squarer deal."

"Mr. Murphy controlled most of the members of the court, dictated its procedure and wrote the judgment. Mr. Murphy was the judge and the jury, the prosecutor and the bailiff."

"There is a higher court than Murphy's, the court of public opinion. Murphy's court of political passion to the calmer judgment of posterity and the sober reflection of mankind."

GREEN RINGS ON HIS HENS.

Chicago Man's Means of Identifying His Poultry.

CHICAGO, Nov. 22.—In some way many of Martin Olson's fancy white leghorn chickens wandered into his neighbors' coops. Most families in the block raise white leghorns. Olson, who lives at 7941 Coles avenue in South Chicago, painted his poultry yard fence green last week. A snow white rooster stuck his head in the paint bucket. The next day Olson found the green-headed rooster in a neighbor's coop. That gave him the idea. Yesterday with the aid of his son he took 100 white leghorn hens, roosters and pullets and painted two green rings around their necks.

Injured Subduing Fighting Horses.

FEDERALBURG, Md., Nov. 22.—Rushing into the stables to quiet vicious horses which were fighting, Harry M. Morrison, a farmer, had a narrow escape from death to-day when one of the horses viciously kicked him in the abdomen, knocking him down and rendering him unconscious. A farm hand ran to his employer's assistance and dragged him from beneath the horses' hoofs.

WHITMAN TAPS NEW WIRETAPPING VEIN

Finds Witness Not Connected
With Gangs Who Support Confessions.

ACCUSES POLICE OFFICIAL

Dougherty Must Supply List of
Arrests Before Rosen-
thal Murder.

Assistant District Attorney Frederick Groehl returned from Philadelphia yesterday morning after a session there with a man who was once a witness in a wire tapping case.

With the material obtained from this man Mr. Groehl expects to build up a strong case against a certain police official who, it is said, induced this witness to change his testimony against a wire tapper on trial. The evidence is intended to prove from an outside source the interest taken by the police in getting the wire tappers free, and from the leads obtained from this man District Attorney Whitman expects to be able to prove collusion between the wireless wire tappers and the police. The witness never was a wire tapper, thus his evidence is expected to be corroborated of that in hand.

Deputy Police Commissioner Dougherty, who said late Friday night that he would be glad to give out a list of the wire tappers arrested by the police before the Rosenthal murder—he had given out on Thursday a long list of arrests made afterward—decided yesterday that he would not make public the list even if there were any such arrests. His office was served with a subpoena yesterday to produce at the District Attorney's office on Monday all the records of complaints, arrests and dispositions of wire tapping cases. Mr. Dougherty said it would be unethical for him in view of this to make public the list.

Mr. Whitman has struck some interesting leads to the investigation now in progress. The police and wire tappers had a code, according to his information, by which they warned each other. He was referred to as Dr. Friedman in the code. Assistant District Attorney Groehl was called "young Dr. Friedman" and former Police Captain Dominick Riley was called "Mr. Longlegs of Sheepshead Bay." Capt. Riley is under subpoena to appear at the District Attorney's office on Monday in connection with the investigation.

According to the code, said Mr. Whitman's informant, if the police wanted to let the wiretapping gang know that the prospective victim was likely to complain to the District Attorney's office when he was swindled a detective would call up the wire tapper and say:

"Dr. Friedman advises that the operation be postponed."

If Mr. Groehl was investigating an old case the wire tappers would be called up and informed:

"Dr. Friedman is investigating and we advise that nothing be done until he has diagnosed the case."

Mickey Shea, an important witness, as he has confessed to having arranged with

the police for the clairvoyants to sell worthless mining stock, is still kept under cover in either Hoboken or Newark. He will be within reach of a telephone call Monday morning in case it is decided to ask the Grand Jury for any indictments.

Other witnesses under subpoena for Monday are Curie Cavier, Frank Tarbeaux, Joe Krakowski, former Detective Al Cohen and George McKee.

WANTS TO STAY IN PRISON.

Missouri Convict Declines Parole After 21 Years Incarceration.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Nov. 22.—There was an affecting scene in the office of the warden of the penitentiary this afternoon when Felix Begby of Montevideo, Vernon county, met for the first time in twenty-two years his brother, Simon Begby, who has been in the prison twenty-one years. They are men well along in the sixties. The convict did not recognize his brother and the latter was affected to tears when he saw the ravages twenty-one years of incarceration had wrought in the once powerful physique of his relative.

Simon Begby went to the prison under life sentence. He killed his brother-in-law, William Henley, in Cedar county, in a quarrel growing out of domestic troubles. Begby has broken all records of the Missouri prison for continuous service, having served longer than any other convict ever in the penitentiary here. The average life of a man in the Missouri prison is about fifteen years.

He has twice been offered a parole and each time declined, saying he desired to end his life in the prison.

His wife lives near Montevideo. Until the visit of his brother he had not seen any of his relatives since going to the penitentiary.

Felix Begby said he had not kept in touch with his brother and recently read in a newspaper that Simon had declined a parole. Then he made up his mind to see Simon, and if he would accept liberty to care for him.

He made his offer to the Board of Pardon and Paroles and that body will in a few days recommend a parole. Simon Begby is broken in health and strength and has apparently lost all interest in everything outside the stone walls that have held him so long.

He has been one of the model prisoners, only a few minor infractions of the rules being charged against him. For years he has had light employment as one of the keepers of a cell building. Felix Begby returned to his home to-night. It is up to Simon to say whether he will remain in prison or become a free man.

DOG CARRIES THE MAIL.

Watches for Trains and Takes Pouch From Depot to Post Office.

NETTLETON, Kan., Nov. 22.—Nettleton is a flag station on the Santa Fe between Kinsley and Garfield, and mail is thrown out there twice a day by trains 567 west-bound and 6 east-bound. When either of these trains whistles for Nettleton an ordinary cur pup may be seen striking out for the depot.

A score of trains go through Nettleton daily, but the pup pays no attention to any excepting the mail trains. He knows the whistle. It is his business. The postmistress owns him and it is his job to pick up the mail pouch which is thrown off the trains, which seldom stop, and trot off to the post office.

Twice a day he performs the task. The mail clerks and train men know him and watch for him. He has never missed a train. Even when the engines are changed and different sounding whistles are used, he never makes a mistake. He appears to know the time the two trains are due.

SULZER DEEPER IN GRAFT TANGLE

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have been served with subpoenas to attend the session of the John Doe inquiry tomorrow. Mr. Whitman has information that these men were approached by "bagmen," as was Seneca P. Hull of Cortland, on whose testimony, the indictment against Everett Fowler of Kingston was obtained. Mr. Whitman's information is that these men were told that unless they contributed substantial amounts for political campaign purposes payment on contracts would be withheld, and they would be troubled on their State contracts in other ways. Mr. Hull furnished these names to the District Attorney. Several of these contractors have their headquarters in Rochester.

Whitman's Men in Rochester.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Nov. 22.—Subpoena servers from District Attorney Whitman's office were here to-day, and served at least three contracting firms with subpoenas calling for attendance on Monday at the John Doe inquiry in New York.

Patrick H. Murray, Henry C. Schroeder and a member of the firm of Ripton & Murphy, were served. A member of the firm of Alkenhead, Bailey & Donaldson said that a subpoena server had been there looking for a member of the firm. F. A. Brotsch, another contractor, has been served, it is said, but he could not be reached to-day for verification of this. All of these firms have had contracts to build State roads. Whitmore, Rauber & Klein, the most prominent local contracting firm in the road building business, said no subpoena has been served on them.

BLOW UP LIMESTONE HILL.

Ten Tons of Powder and Five of Dynamite Exploded.

NEWTON, N. J., Nov. 22.—A solid wall of limestone, more than 600 feet long, 110 feet high and thirty feet deep, was torn loose from the side of McAfee Mountain, near here, when ten tons of black powder and five tons of dynamite were successfully exploded.

Not a building near the mountain was damaged, although the shock of the explosion was felt for miles. The blast occurred in the quarry of the Bethlehem Steel Company. It is estimated that 60,000 tons of limestone were dislodged, which will be sufficient to keep a force of one hundred men busy until early next summer.

The charges were placed in fifteen holes, from one to one hundred feet deep, and were exploded by means of electricity.

Increase of Life Insurance Business in Japan.

YOKOHAMA, Nov. 22.—The total outstanding life insurance policies in Japan aggregate approximately \$425,000,000. The increase in business for the present year has averaged over \$4,000,000 a month and it is estimated that at the end of 1913 the total life insurance business effective in Japan will amount to fully \$500,000,000. There are now thirty-six domestic life insurance companies doing business in Japan.

EMIGRATION FROM HUNGARY.

Many Left Without Passports—Mobilization Responsible.

BUDAPEST, Nov. 22.—Emigration from Hungary during 1912 was somewhat larger than in 1911. While it is impossible to obtain information relative to the exact number of emigrants, because many left during 1912 without passports, the Ministry of the Interior estimates that the number was at least 120,000, whereas in 1911 only 75,000 persons departed from Hungary.

The mobilization of the reserves in 1912 is responsible principally for the increase in emigration; and because of the unusual emigration proceeding and during the mobilization the Ministry of the Interior issued an ordinance prohibiting the issuance of passports to men between the ages of 17 and 42, belonging to the first and second army reserves. Simultaneously with the issuance of this ordinance the forces of the frontier police were augmented by additional gendarmes and soldiers to prevent persons who were not provided with passports from departing from Hungary.

Figures are not yet available relative to the number of Hungarian emigrants who returned to Hungary during 1912. However, the majority of these emigrants do not return to establish themselves permanently in their country of birth, but to visit relatives in Hungary and to dispose of property or to accompany wives and children to the United States.

Shot Deer and Buried Dead.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Nov. 22.—Fennia Atherton, while hunting in the wilds of Wyoming county, saw a young deer and shot it. He quickly cut off the head and buried it, and then started home with the carcass. On the way, he met State Trooper William Ammon, who made an investigation.

Atherton was forced to show where the head was buried, and when he dug up the head Ammon quickly arrested him. Just as the Trooper Thompson of Noken heard the evidence and Atherton was fined \$100 and the costs.

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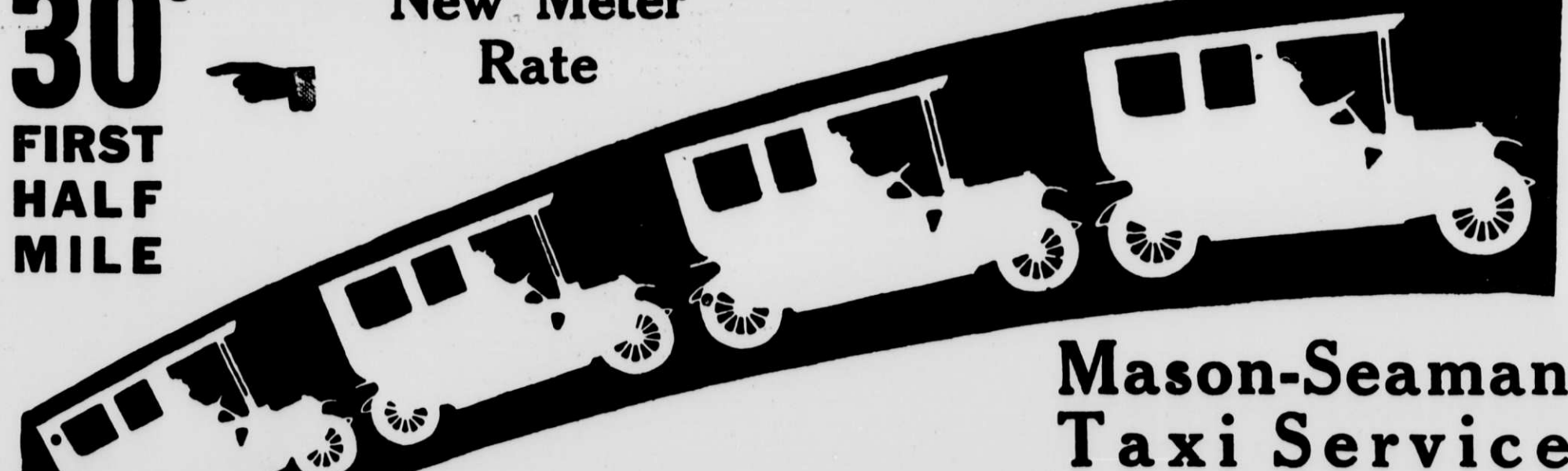
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